



U.S. Department of Transportation
**National Highway Traffic Safety
Administration**

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Mr. Rodney Newcomer
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NEF-107MR
22V-166

Subject: Bolt On Steering Column Not Tightened Properly

Dear Mr. Newcomer:

This letter serves to acknowledge Newmar Corporation's notification to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) of a safety recall which will be conducted pursuant to Federal law for the product(s) listed below. Please review the following information to ensure that it conforms to your records as this information is being made available to the public. If the information does not agree with your records, please contact us immediately to discuss your concerns.

Makes/Models/Model Years:

NEWMAR/DUTCH STAR/2021-2022
NEWMAR/NEW AIRE/2021-2022

Mfr's Report Date: March 17, 2022

NHTSA Campaign Number: 22V-166

Components:

STEERING:CRITICAL FASTENERS

Potential Number of Units Affected: 58

Problem Description:

Newmar Corporation (Newmar) is recalling certain 2021-2022 New Aire and Dutch Star motorhomes. The upper bolt connecting the steering column may not have been properly tightened, causing the nut to loosen off the bolt, potentially resulting in loss of steering control.

Consequence:

Loss of steering control increases the risk of a crash.

Remedy:

Dealers will inspect and tighten the upper and lower bolts as necessary, free of charge. Owner notification letters are expected to be mailed on May 16, 2022. Owners may contact Newmar's customer service at 1-800-731-8300.

Notes:

Owners may also contact the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration Vehicle Safety Hotline at 1-888-327-4236 (TTY 1-800-424-9153), or go to www.nhtsa.gov.

Please be reminded of the following requirements:



You are required to submit a draft owner notification letter to this office no less than five days prior to mailing it to the customers. Also, copies of all notices, bulletins, dealer notifications, and other communications that relate to this recall, including a copy of the final owner notification letter and any subsequent owner follow-up notification letter(s), are required to be submitted to this office no later than 5 days after they are originally sent (if they are sent to more than one manufacturer, distributor, dealer, or purchaser/owner).

Please be reminded that under 49 U.S.C. § 30112(a)(3), it is illegal for a manufacturer, to sell, offer for sale, import, or introduce or deliver into interstate commerce, a motor vehicle or item of motor vehicle equipment that contains a safety defect once the manufacturer has notified NHTSA about that safety defect. This prohibition does not apply once the motor vehicle or motor vehicle equipment has been remedied according to the manufacturer's instructions.

As stated in Part 573.7, submission of the first of eight consecutive quarterly status reports is required within one month after the close of the calendar quarter in which notification to purchasers occurs. Therefore, the first quarterly report will be due on, or before, 30 days after the close of the calendar quarter.

Newmar Corporation's contact for this recall will be Michelle Rice who may be reached by email at michelle.rice@dot.gov. We look forward to working with you.

Sincerely,



Alex Ansley
Chief, Recall Management Division
Office of Defects Investigation
Enforcement